



Image RCE& 3661  
Attorney Docket 065905-0249

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Akinori IWASE et al.  
Title: IMAGE FORMING SYSTEM AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS  
Appl. No.: 10/073,894  
Appl. Filing Date: 02/14/2002  
Examiner: T. Nguyen  
Art Unit: 3661

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**TRANSMITTAL**

**Mail Stop RCE**  
Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)**

a. Previously submitted:

Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on January 16, 2004.

b. Enclosed are:

03/12/2004 JADDO1 00000028 10073894

01 FC:1252

420.00 OP

02 FC:1801

770.00 OP

[ ] Other .

Miscellaneous:

[ ] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
<b>RCE Fee 1.17(e):</b>				<b>\$770.00</b>	<b>\$770.00</b>
Total Claims:	20	-	22 = 0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
Independents	2	-	3 = 0	x \$86.00	\$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:				+ \$290.00	\$0.00
				<b>CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$770.00</b>

[ X ] Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[ ] Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	0	\$0.00
<b>[ X ] Extension for response filed within the second month:</b>	<b>\$420.00</b>		<b>\$420.00</b>
[ ] Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$950.00		\$0.00
[ ] Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,480.00		\$0.00
[ ] Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,010.00		\$0.00
EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:			\$420.00
EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID:			\$0.00
EXTENSION FEE TOTAL			\$420.00
CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:			\$1190.00
[ ] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):			\$0.00
[ ] Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)			\$0.00
TOTAL FEE:			\$1190.00

[ ] Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of \$1190.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.

[ X ] A check in the amount of \$1190.00 to cover the RCE filing fee and a two month extension of time fee is enclosed.

[ X ] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date March 11, 2004

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